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SUBJECT: PROSPECTIVE FRG TRANSFER OF TF-104G'S

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- 1. THE FONOFF NATO DESK OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR GREEK/TURKISH ARMS ASSISTANCE MATTERS CALLED US ON OCTOBER 22 TO ADVISE THAT THE FRG INTENDS TO TRANSFER TO TURKEY THE TWO TF-104G'S CURRENTLY LOCATED IN THE US. THE OFFICIAL STATED THAT THIS SUBJECT WAS DISCUSSED BY DEFMIN LEBER AND SECDEF SCHLESINGER ON SEPTEMBER 28 DURING THEIR MEETING IN BONN. ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL, DEFMIN LEBER REVIEWED THE BACKGROUND OF THE CASE AND INDICATED THE FRG WANTED TO FOLLOW THROUGH NOW ON THE TRANSFER OF THE AIRCRAFT. IT WAS FURTHER REPORTED TO US THAT SECDEF INDICATED HE WOULD REVIEW THE QUESTION OF THE PROSPECTIVE TRANSFER WHEN HE RETURNED TO WASHINGTON AND THEN MAKE A DECISION.
- 2. AN FMOD OFFICIAL HAS ADVISED US THAT THE FRG IS CURRENTLY STUDYING THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE METHOD FOR CONFIDENTIAL

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TRANSFERRING THE AIRCRAFT FROM THE US TO TURKEY. HE

SAID THE TRANSFER WOULD IN NO EVENT TAKE PLACE BEFORE JANUARY 1976.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE REGARDING WHETHER WASHINGTON AGENCIES NOW APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF THE TF-L04G'S IN VIEW OF THE REPORTED LEBER-SCHLESINGER CONVERSATION AND THE RECENT PARTIAL LITING OF THE BAN ON ARMS SHIPMENTS TO TURKEY BY THE CONGRESS. HILLENBRAND

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